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**Ricker-Stefan
Vows Exchanged
In Home Rites**

The home of Dr. and Mrs. Howard A. Wood, 1517 El Prado, was a lovely setting for the recent nuptial rites which united Major Charles S. Ricker, A.A.F., and Miss Julie Stefan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Stefan, of New York City.

C. E. Ruckman officiated in the presence of relatives and intimate friends of the couple. Given in marriage by Dr. Wood, the bride was lovely in silver grey silk with contrasting accessories. Her hat was fashioned of fresh Mystery gardenias and tulle and she carried a bouquet of gardenias and white roses. Mrs. Richard Vaughn, of this city, was her only attendant and James D. Downtown, of Los Angeles, attended his nephew.

The couple left for a brief California honeymoon and on Monday will motor to Cambridge, Mass., where he will enroll for a business administration course at Harvard University. On terminal leave following Aleutian duty, he is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester S. Ricker, of Detroit, Mich.

For the past three years Mrs. Ricker, whose home is at 1622 Madrid ave., has been receptionist in the offices of Drs. Beeman, Easley and Wood.

**FERN AVENUE
ENTERTAINS
AT OPEN HOUSE**

Fern Avenue P.T.A. held "open house" at the school on Wednesday evening, April 10. The classrooms were open to the parents and visitors from 6:45 to 7:45 o'clock. All the teachers were present to greet the parents and to explain the displays of students' work shown.

The regular monthly business meeting at 8:00 o'clock was conducted by Mrs. Herbert T. Markham, president. Mrs. S. R. Greene, program chairman, presented Mrs. Grace Morgan who sang several selections accompanied by Mrs. Arnold at the piano.

Mrs. Helen Salisbury, principal, presented a series of slides depicting the various phases of instruction in elementary schools from kindergarten through the sixth grade.

Following the meeting refreshments were served by the teachers and the school staff.

FROM SEATTLE
Dr. and Mrs. John S. Lingenfelter and son David of Seattle, last week visited his father, Rev. B. H. Lingenfelter.

**Latin America
Meeting Theme
For WSCS**

Thirty-five members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Methodist church gathered Thursday afternoon at the church for the regular monthly meeting.

The theme of the month, "Latin America" was carried out in table decoration, food, the subject of the speakers and the musical selections. Red and white checked table cloths covered the tables and oxcarts filled with old-fashioned red geraniums and pottery containing filices with cacti were used as centerpieces.

Mrs. Clyde Ruckman, in charge of devotions, spoke on "The Interests of the Spirit." Miss Carol Dee Campbell was introduced by the program chairman and played "The Mexican Hat Dance." Mrs. George Morgan spoke on South America and introduced Mrs. Landreth, who told of her year in the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico, returning home in October of 1941.

Some pieces of Mexican and Indian pottery from her collection were shown by Mrs. Alice Palmer and Mrs. Grover Vandeventer showed the beginning of a collection of South American pieces belonging to her daughter.

This year's very interesting meetings have been well attended and all are looking forward to the May meeting to be held in the home of Mrs. W. F. Bartholomew. The Spanish American Institute will be featured and Dr. Silverthorn, the superintendent, will tell something about the school and the work being carried on there. He will present some of his students on the marimba, in vocal selections and in oratorical selections.

The ladies are planning a rummage sale to be held on May 3 and 4.

**BRITISH WAR BRIDE
FEELS AT DINNER**

The home of Mr. and Mrs. George Rupe, of 1624 W. 203rd st., was a setting for an enjoyable dinner party Sunday given to compliment his brother, Edward Rupe, recently returned from the E.T.O., and British war bride.

The affair also served as a birthday courtesy for Mrs. George Rupe and Chris Preisler. Covers were placed for Mr. and Mrs. Edward Supe, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Preisler, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Harmon, Mr. and Mrs. George Rupe and A. D. Rupe, all of this city.



ENGAGED . . . Miss Alice Dorn, whose engagement to Mr. Payette W. Stanfield of Memphis, Tenn., has just been announced. (Photo courtesy Dixie Lee Studio, Torrance.)

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Dorn, of 1565 W. 223rd st., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Alice, to Mr. Payette W. Stanfield, of Memphis, Tenn. Miss Dorn's fiancé has received his honorable discharge following three years' service with the U. S. Navy. No wedding date has been set.

**Gale C. Hunn,
Air Brush Artist,
Presents Exhibit**

Of interest to artists and art lovers in Torrance and the surrounding community is the current exhibit of portrait work being shown at Sherwin-Williams Paint Company, in Torrance, through the courtesy of the managers Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Appenzeller.

The effectiveness of the work is achieved by the expert use of a minute air brush by the artist, Gale C. Hunn, of 1814 Cabrillo ave.

**MRS. BUFFINGTON,
TORRANCE STUDENTS
ARE ON PROGRAM**

At the regular monthly meeting of the Los Angeles Music Teachers' Association, held Monday evening at Penny Owsley Playhouse, on Wilshire Blvd., Kathryn Buffington was presented as a speaker.

Using as her theme, "Directed Creative Work" Mrs. Buffington augmented her discussion by presenting four of her Torrance pupils who played their compositions. They were: "Indian Theme," Mickey Vandeventer; "Chinese," Ann Olson; "Minuet," Beverly Luster; and "On a Quiet Lake," (whole tone scale) Janet Poh.

The young students and their teacher were enthusiastically received by a large audience, composed almost entirely of musicians. The children's creations of original artistic covers were warmly received.

Outstanding as a pioneer in teaching creative music, Kathryn Buffington last month presented a group of her students in a well received program before the Creative Music Teachers' Association in Los Angeles, of which she is president.

**KEYSTONE CLUBWOMEN
ELECT OFFICERS**

Mrs. A. L. Hudson, as president-elect of Keystone Women's Club, will be assisted by an able staff of officers, including Mrs. E. F. Myers, 1st vice-president; Z. W. Jennings, 2nd vice-president; Frank Alsop, 3rd vice-president; Herbert Johnson, recording secretary; Ladd Stamps, corresponding secretary; R. E. Shaefer, treasurer and John E. Sullivan, auditor. Mrs. A. C. Stamps, will serve as parliamentarian, and Mrs. Alex Matheson as historian.

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**Nancy Ann Whyte
Other Artists
Present Program**

A highlight in Parent-Teacher activities this week was the musical scholarship and art exhibit held Wednesday afternoon in Gardena high school. The hostesses of the three sponsoring councils, Gateway, Mrs. V. E. Hopkins; Lomita-San Pedro, Mrs. John R. Garner, and Gardena-Wilmington, Mrs. Charles Cotton, served as hostesses.

The program opened with violin selections by Roy W. Muncy, of Banning, this year's winner. Nancy Ann Whyte, of this city, beautifully played "Romance" (Sibelius); Gilbert Stephenson, of Dana Junior high school, presented a clarinet solo, "Glow Worms." "The Easter Parade" and "Romance" sung by the Girl's Trio of Banning was followed by a vocal solo, "Kiss in the Dark" by Elsie Schultz, of Gardena.

A brief history of the Tenth District music scholarship awards was then given. Winners will be presented in concert on May 19 at Berendo high school, Los Angeles.

Frank X. Goulet, principal of Gardena high school, told of the procedure in choosing exhibits.

Tea was served in the library at the conclusion of the program. Mrs. John Garner, president of Lomita-San Pedro council and Mrs. J. S. Dresser, president-elect of Gateway council, poured.

Representing Torrance high school P.T.A. were Mrs. Frank S. Selover, president; John R. Garner, president; Lomita-San Pedro council; A. C. Turner, Grover C. Whyte and Roy Ingle.

Of interest to P.T.A. members and others is the announcement of interesting P.T.A. programs, being broadcast at 6:15 p.m. each Tuesday evening.

**METHODIST CHOIR
TO PRESENT
EASTER CANTATA**

The choir at First Methodist Church, El Prado at Carson st., will present an Easter cantata at 4:00 o'clock Sunday afternoon April 21. The public is cordially invited.

"The Glorious Galleon" by Ina B. Wilson is a beautiful sacred composition.

The choir, under the direction of Mrs. Dorothy Hodges, has been working hard to present an effective Easter message. The personnel of the choir consists of Miss Donna Lowe and Mrs. Norma Dobrick, Carolyn Hamilton, Lucille Vandeventer, Verneel Poorbaugh, Dorothy Hodges, Gertrude Lingo, Rosalind King and Phyllis Hamilton, and Fred Hamilton, Charles Bartholomew, Carleton B. Bell, Oliver Hamilton, Roy Dobrick, and William Bartholomew.

EASTER VACATION

Mary Schott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard M. Schott, of Crowshaw Blvd. is visiting this week at the home of Mrs. L. J. Rademaker in Santa Barbara.

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